Marine Fisheries

Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration (CFVR)

What Activities Require This Permit? The Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration (CFVR) is required if a vessel is going to be engaged in a commercial fishing operation. Also available is a for-hire endorsement on the CFVR used in conjunction with the For-Hire Captain's CRFL for selected for-hire operations.

What Is The Purpose of This Permit? To license and identify vessels used in commercial or for-hire fishing operations.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), License and Statistics Section.

How Much Will This Permit Cost? Cost is based on vessel length:

- 0-18 feet = \$1.25/ft.
- 18-38 feet = \$1.90 /ft.
- 38-50 feet = \$3.75/ft.
- over 50 feet = \$7.50/ft.

Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit? Contact any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries license office. Visit the following link for license sales locations: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? No review required for this license. Any North Carolina resident or nonresident may obtain this license.

Where Do I Submit My Application? Any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office. Visit the following link for license sales contact information: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? All licenses are valid for up to one year and expire on June 30.

Notes/Comments: This license is transferable with the sale of the vessel. The For-Hire Endorsement is optional and offered at no cost.

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: General Statute 113-168.6, North Carolina Marin Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 30.0101(a).

Link: http://deg.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries

Statewide Contact Information:

NC Division of Marine Fisheries License and Statistics Section 3441 Arendell Street Morehead City, NC 28557

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